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SUBJECT: DETA SALES REP ABSCONDS WITH BANK BALANCE

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1. JOHANNESBURG SUNDAY TIMES REPORTED JUNE 18 THAT RAUL MATEUS, REPRESENTATIVE OF DETA (MOZAMBIQUE AIRWAYS) IN SWAZI-LAND, WITHDREW RAND 250,000 (ABOUT \$300,000) FROM THE DETA ACCOUNT IN MBABANE, AND, AFTER A TRIP TO EUROPE, IS LIVING IN DURBAN, SOUTH AFRICA. THE NEWS ACCOUNT SAYS THAT MATEUS TOOK THE MONEY IN "RETALIATION" FOR NATIONALIZATION OF HIS PROPERTY IN MOZAMBIQUE.

2. THE MATEUS STORY HAD BEEN CIRCULATING IN MAPUTO FOR SOME TIME, BUT THE AMOUNT STOLEN AND MATEUS' WHEREABOUTS WERE NOT KNOWN. ALTHOUGH THE GPRM WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY LIKE TO RECOVER THE MONEY, MOZAMBIQUE DOES NOT HAVE AN EXTRADITION AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH AFRICA. MATEUS CARRIED A MOZAMBIQUE PASSPORT, BUT BY ANCESTRY IS ALSO ENTITLED TO PORTUGUESE NATIONALITY. MATEUS CLAIMED CREDIT FOR UNCOVERING THE 1977 DETA TICKET

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